

Mansfield Community Playground Project  
Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Date: August 23, 2012

Present: Paul Johnson, Jeanne Johnson, Kurt Vincente, Kathleen Krider, Chad Rittenhouse, Sara Anderson, Megan Huff, Susanna Cowan, Julia DeLapp, Ellen Tulman

Next Meeting: Thursday September, 13, 2012, Town Office Bldg, Conf Rm B

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- I. Review & Approval of Minutes 8/9/12 meeting
- II. Revised Design
  - a. More swings have been added – discussion of changing configuration of adapted & toddler swings
  - b. A rockwall and roller slide have been added
  - c. Donors will be recognized in plaques near entrance (not specifically on a kiosk)
  - d. We will need to select our own musical components. Decision regarding that will depend upon budget. Suggestion of approaching UCONN School of Music or Community School of Arts for donation.
- III. Budget
  - a. We now owe L & A approximately \$18,000. In approx 3 wks we will begin to pay L & A “as we can.” For up to 6 months this will be an acceptable way of making payments.
  - b. MAC \$ need to be used “to further the plan.” Suggested ways of doing this include using \$ for brochures, advertising, & consultants.
  - c. The town is the custodian of the playground \$. Therefore there are certain conditions placed upon how/when \$ can be spent.
- IV. Festival on the Green will be Sunday September 23, 2012
  - a. Volunteers will be needed to run the booth (at mtg Ellen & Susanna offered to assist)
  - b. There will possibly be a representative from MAC to join.
  - c. Everyone please SAVE YOUR RECYCLABLES for the recyclable playgrounds that children will create. Sara has masking tape.
  - d. Ellen will order stickers
  - e. The question of whether or not T-Shirts can be sold is being addressed.
- V. Elementary Schools + Middle School
  - a. Sara is working to get on the agendas for PTO mtgs
  - b. Jeanne will find out when SouthEast Fair will be so that we can arrange to have a table there.
- VI. Materials
  - a. Paul has made contact with various suppliers and hopes to have completed lists in September
- VII. BUILD DAY HAS BEEN MOVED TO SEPTEMBER 2013
  - a. Curt inquired about the possibility of phased building

- b. Curt reiterated importance of letting Storrs Center Developer know about the tax break offered through Neighborhood Assistance Program
- c. Susanna suggested making connection with UCONN staff who are involved in bringing in new faculty as “selling the town” in an important part of recruitment

VIII. “Calendaring:

- a. Sara asked that all committee members look at their assigned tasks to identify timelines for tasks
- b. Julia has planned that 1-2 local businesses should be contacted each week. She is looking for other to partner in this important fundraising task.